



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1042

LCO No. 3630



Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by:
(TRA)

AN ACT CONCERNING THREE-WHEELED MOTORCYCLES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 14-40a of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2013*):

4 (c) Before granting a motorcycle endorsement to any applicant who
5 has not held such an endorsement at any time within the preceding
6 two years, the commissioner shall require the applicant to present
7 evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that such applicant has
8 successfully completed a novice motorcycle training course conducted
9 by the Department of Transportation with federal funds available for
10 the purpose of such course, or by any firm or organization that
11 conducts such a course that uses the curriculum of the Motorcycle
12 Safety Foundation or other safety or educational organization that has
13 developed a curriculum approved by the commissioner. If such
14 applicant has not obtained a motorcycle instruction permit pursuant to
15 subsection (b) of this section, the applicant shall also pass an
16 examination, other than the driving skills test, demonstrating that the

17 applicant is a proper person to operate a motorcycle, has sufficient
 18 knowledge of the mechanism of a motorcycle to ensure its safe
 19 operation by such applicant, and has satisfactory knowledge of the law
 20 concerning motorcycles and other motor vehicles and the rules of the
 21 road. Any such applicant who operates a motorcycle with three wheels
 22 may use a motorcycle with three wheels for the purposes of driving
 23 skills instruction during a novice motorcycle training course. When the
 24 commissioner is satisfied as to the ability and competency of the
 25 applicant, the commissioner may issue an endorsement to such
 26 applicant, either unlimited or containing such limitations as the
 27 commissioner deems advisable. If an applicant or motorcycle
 28 endorsement holder has any health problem which might affect such
 29 person's ability to operate a motorcycle safely, the commissioner may
 30 require the applicant or endorsement holder to demonstrate personally
 31 that, notwithstanding the problem, such person is a proper person to
 32 operate a motorcycle, and the commissioner may further require a
 33 certificate of the applicant's condition, signed by a medical authority
 34 designated by the commissioner, which certificate shall, in all cases, be
 35 treated as confidential by the commissioner. An endorsement,
 36 containing such limitation as the commissioner deems advisable may
 37 be issued or renewed in any case, but nothing in this section shall be
 38 construed to prevent the commissioner from refusing an endorsement,
 39 either limited or unlimited, to any person or suspending an
 40 endorsement of a person whom the commissioner deems incapable of
 41 safely operating a motorcycle.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2013	14-40a(c)
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Statement of Purpose:

To allow operators of three-wheeled motorcycles to utilize such motorcycles during their training courses.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]